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Ex parte DIETER WENNINGER, WERNER KARMANN, GERHARD BIR,
SVEN HANSEN, HEIKO LEYDECKER, STEFANIE KAPROLAT,
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Application 09/641,014

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 15, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being electronically returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

A Request for Oral Hearing and a Reply Brief was filed on August 18, 2003. A review of the electronic file indicates that the two papers were not scanned into the file.

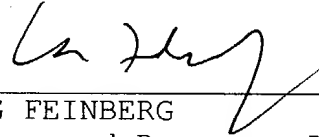
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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is electronically returned to the Examiner to obtain and have scanned a copy of the Request for Oral Hearing and Reply Brief, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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